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Applicant: MASAHIRO IMOTO ET AL.

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Title: HETEROCYCLIC COMPOUNDS HAVING EFFECT OF ACTIVATING
NICOTINIC ACETYLCHOLINE ALFA4 BETA2 RECEPTOR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to
examination, please amend the above-identified application as
follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 8 as follows: ✓

a¹ --8. (Amended) A method of activating $\alpha 4\beta 2$ nicotinic
acetylcholine receptors comprising administering an $\alpha 4\beta 2$
nicotinic acetylcholine activating effective amount of a compound
as claimed in claim 1 or pharmaceutically acceptable salts
thereof.--

Please amend the second Claim 8 appearing on page 58 as
follows: ✓

a² 17. (Amended) A method of activating $\alpha 4\beta 2$ nicotinic
acetylcholine receptors comprising administering an $\alpha 4\beta 2$